

I support retaining the 1996 rules limiting the number of broadcast outlets that can be owned by a single corporation. The increasing concentration of media ownership in the hands of a few organizations is a threat to the free exchange of ideas and therefore to our democracy. Taken far enough, only those with the proper ideology or deep pockets will have the ability to get their message out to the public. If anything, the rules should be revised to encourage diversity of opinion by broadening ownership, and not encourage government subsidized monopolies by giving away frequencies free to large conglomerates.